

ADA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE MEETING FEBRUARY 15, 2024, REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of the Ada Township Planning Commission was held on Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., at the Ada Township Hall, 7330 Thornapple River Drive, Ada, Michigan.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Korth called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Butterfield, Jacobs, Kluting, Korth, Moyer

Members Absent: Burton, VanderVennen Staff Present: Bajdek, Buckley, Said, Suchy

Others Present: 4

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Jacobs, supported by Moyer, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 18, 2024, REGULAR MEETING

Moved by Jacobs, supported by Moyer, to approve the January 18, 2024, Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Special Use Permit for a new addition to a previously approved classroom addition at Ada Christian School, Shawn Bates/Dan Vos Construction on behalf of Ada Christian School Society, 6206 Ada Drive SE, Parcel No. 41-15-32-400-036

Shawn Bates, Civil Engineer with Dan Vos Construction, on behalf of Ada Christian School presented his request for two additions to the originally approved plans (four-classroom addition) in July 2023. Mr. Bates went over details on the location and sizes of the new corridor and receiving room and said it allows for more locker room space and a connection to another entrance (approximately 900 sq. ft. addition).

Planning Director Said stated the request is a relatively small-scale project. Said confirmed that they are proposing a small addition for the receiving area and a corridor addition that will extend out toward the northwest. Said explained that staff have no reason for concern for the proposed additions.

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Korth opened the public hearing at 5:36 p.m. There was no public comment and the public hearing was closed.

There was Commissioner discussion that helped clarify what the proposed additions are in comparison to the last request. Moyer made note that the plan presented last July was a 'preliminary' plan vs. the current submission has a 'final' plan and there are quite a few changes. Moyer said he thinks the current plan is better thought out. The Commissioners agreed with Moyer that the current plan was better.

Moved by Jacobs, supported by Kluting, to approve the new addition request for Ada Christian School. Motion carried.

- VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS none
- VII. **NEW BUSINESS** none

VIII. COMMISSION MEMBER / STAFF REPORTS

Said introduced 2 students visiting Ada from Michigan State University (Planning program). Said made note that the new Planning Commissioner recently appointed is Rob VanderVennen.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT - none

X. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Jacobs, supported by Moyer, to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Smith, Ada Township Clerk

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